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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100.1306

[Docket No. USCG-2011-0258]

National Maritime Week Tugboat Races, Seattle, WA.

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the Special Local Regulation for the annual National Maritime Week Tugboat Races in Elliott Bay, WA from 12 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. on May 12, 2012. This action is necessary to ensure the safety of all participants and spectators from the inherent dangers associated with these types of races which includes large wakes. During the enforcement period, no person or vessel may enter or remain in the regulated area except for participants in the event, supporting personnel, vessels registered with the event organizer, and personnel or vessels authorized by the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 100.1306 will be enforced from 12 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. on May 12, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or e-mail Ensign Nathaniel P. Clinger, Sector Puget Sound Waterways Management Division, Coast

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Coast Guard will enforce the Special Local Regulation for the annual National Maritime Week Tugboat Races, Seattle, WA in 33 CFR 100.1306 on May 12, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. through 4:30 p.m. This regulation can be found in the April 27, 1996 issue of the Federal Register (61 FR 16710).

A regulated area is established on that portion of Elliott Bay along the Seattle waterfront in Puget Sound bounded by a line beginning at: 47°37'36" N, 122°22'42" W; thence to 47°37'24.5" N, 122°22'58.5" W; thence to 47°36'08" N, 122°20'53" W; thence to 47°36'21" N, 122°20'31" W; thence returning to the origin. This regulated area resembles a rectangle measuring approximately 3,900 yards along the shoreline between Pier 57 and Pier 89, and extending approximately 650 yards into Elliott Bay. Temporary floating markers will be placed by the race sponsors to delineate the regulated area. [Datum: NAD 1983]

No person or vessel may enter or remain in the regulated area except for participants in the event, supporting personnel, vessels registered with the event organizer, and personnel or vessels authorized by the Coast Guard Patrol Commander.

The Coast Guard will establish a patrol consisting of active and auxiliary Coast Guard vessels and personnel in the regulated area described above. The patrol shall be under the direction of a Coast Guard officer or petty officer designated by the Captain of the Port as the Coast Guard Patrol Commander. The Patrol Commander may forbid and control the movement of vessels in this regulated area.

A succession of sharp, short blasts from whistle or horn from vessels patrolling the area under the direction of the Patrol Commander shall serve as a signal to stop. Vessels signaled shall stop and comply with the orders of the patrol vessel. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the area, citation for failure to comply, or both.

The Coast Guard may be assisted by other Federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies in enforcing this regulation.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 100.1306 and 5 U.S.C. 552 (a).

If the Captain of the Port determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice, he may use a Broadcast Notice to Mariners to grant general permission to enter the regulated area.

Dated: April 6, 2012

S. J. Ferguson
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Captain of the Port, Puget Sound

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